

What is claimed is:

1 1. A folding portable communication unit which is
2 composed of first and second cabinets and a hinge for so
3 supporting said first and second cabinets that they are
4 rotational around said hinge, comprising:

5 display / data-input means which displays information
6 related to communication, inputs data related to said
7 communication, and is situated on a rear cover of said first
8 or second cabinet,

9 wherein said information can be watched and said data can
10 be inputted by a user in case that said first and second cabinets
11 are folded.

1 2. A folding portable communication unit which is
2 composed of first and second cabinets and a hinge for so
3 supporting said first and second cabinets that they are
4 rotational around said hinge, comprising:

5 first display / data-input means which displays a first
6 information related to communication, inputs a first data
7 related to said communication, and is situated on an obverse
8 surface of said first and second cabinets, and

9 second display / data-input means which displays a second
10 information related to said communication, inputs a second data
11 related to said communication, and is situated on a rear cover
12 of said first or second cabinet,

13 wherein said second information can be watched and said
14 second data can be inputted by a user in case that said first

15 and second cabinets are folded.

1 3. The folding portable communication unit as defined
2 in claim 2, wherein:

3 said first and second cabinets include controlling
4 functions, and are provided with control means which decides
5 whether input information is to be displayed on said first or
6 second display / data-input means depending on a kind of said
7 input information.

1 4. The folding portable communication unit as defined
2 in claim 3, wherein:

3 said control means is further provided with means for
4 detecting whether said first and second cabinets are folded or
5 not, and

6 decides whether said input information is to be displayed
7 on said first or second display / data-input means depending
8 on a result of detection performed by said detecting means.

1 5. The folding portable communication unit as defined
2 in claim 4, wherein:

3 said control means displays said input information on
4 said second display / data-input means, when it is detected that
5 said first and second cabinets are folded.

1 6. The folding portable communication unit as defined
2 in claim 3, wherein:

3 said input information is displayed on said first display

4 / data-input means in case that said input information is
5 pictorial information.

1 7. The folding portable communication unit as defined
2 in claim 3, wherein:

3 said control means further comprises means for displaying
4 said input information on said second display / data-input means
5 in accordance with of instruction of said user.